

I usually do not  
sign onto letters  
like this one.  
However, I am so  
alarmed by the  
intended actions of  
Sinclair, that I  
must write. Sinclair  
Broadcasting's  
decision to force  
their stations to  
air an anti-Kerry  
documentary days  
before the election  
is a clear example  
of the dangers of  
media consolidation  
and a clear  
violation of their  
obligated by law to  
serve the public  
interest. When they  
choose to require  
that a highly  
partisan film be  
shown on all their  
channels, without  
providing time for  
counter balanced  
program, they are  
not providing news,  
but propaganda.  
This clearly  
violates their  
obligation to serve  
the public interest.

Sinclair's actions  
show why we need to  
strengthen media  
ownership rules, not  
weaken them. They  
show why the license  
renewal process  
needs to involve  
more than a returned  
postcard. Thank you.